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MESSAGE FROM KALANI

Our State is busy preparing for the arrival of the various delegations attending the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) meeting held in Oahu this November. Members of the legislature will participate in numerous events exhibiting Hawai'i's contributions and position in Asia-Pacific cooperation.

In this issue, we honor a fallen soldier with deep Maui ties, discuss some of the history and significance of APEC and explore some of the interesting new U.S. census data compiled for the 6th Senatorial District.



Additionally, I enjoyed an excellent weekend on Moloka'i for the Aloha Festival celebrations. There was an entry in the parade that summed it all up - "Together We're Better." Indeed, together we are better!

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U.S.A. HOSTS APEC LEADERS MEETING IN HAWAI'I

The Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) is a premier forum for facilitating sustainable economic growth, cooperation, trade and investment in the Asia-Pacific region. On June 3, 2010, the White House announced that the 2011 APEC Leaders' Meeting will take place in Honolulu, Hawai'i and is scheduled for November 12 and 13, 2011. Following the announcement, an APEC 2011 Hawai'i Host Committee non-profit entity was established to contract for products and services for the meeting. Participation is estimated at 20,000 attendees. In addition to the Leaders' Meeting, beginning on Nov. 7 to 13, there will be a week of APEC events including: concluding Senior Officials' Meeting; Finance Ministers Meetings; Ministerial Meetings; Annual Meeting of the APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC) and APEC Chief Executive Officers Summit. The week of events is expected to generate about \$120 million in direct spending in the State of Hawai'i.

A primary role of the Hawai'i Host Committee is to support the U.S. Department of State through hospitality for delegates at key venues, receptions, welcome desks, signage and visual elements, informational packets and assisting with the International Media Center. An estimated 2,000 or more global media representatives are expected to attend. The host committee will also manage community outreach and relations.

For the APEC guests, the committee will be highlighting four emerging fields in Hawai'i: clean energy; sky,

ocean and earth sciences; life and health sciences; and a segment known as MICE: meetings, incentives, conventions and exhibitions. The committee selected 35 Hawaii businesses to showcase. They selected an overall winner, Skai Ventures, an umbrella organization for many innovative companies and four county winners; HNU-Energy was the Maui County winner. Functional Nutriments LLC and Grower's Secret Inc of Maui are among the 35 businesses that will be showcased.

The APEC economies represent 41 percent of the world's population, 54 percent of the world's total gross product and a total of 44 percent of global trade. In 2009, U.S. exports to APEC economies accounted for 59 percent of U.S. exports worldwide. In comparison, only 21 percent of U.S. exports went to the 27-member European Union.

APEC is a 21-member association of economies working together to advance regional economic integration and prosperity. The APEC member economies are: Australia; Brunei Darussalam; Canada; Chile; China; Hong Kong, Indonesia; Japan; South Korea; Malaysia; Mexico; New Zealand; Papua New Guinea; Peru; Philippines; Russia; Singapore; Chinese Taipei; Thailand; United States; and Vietnam. For more information go to:

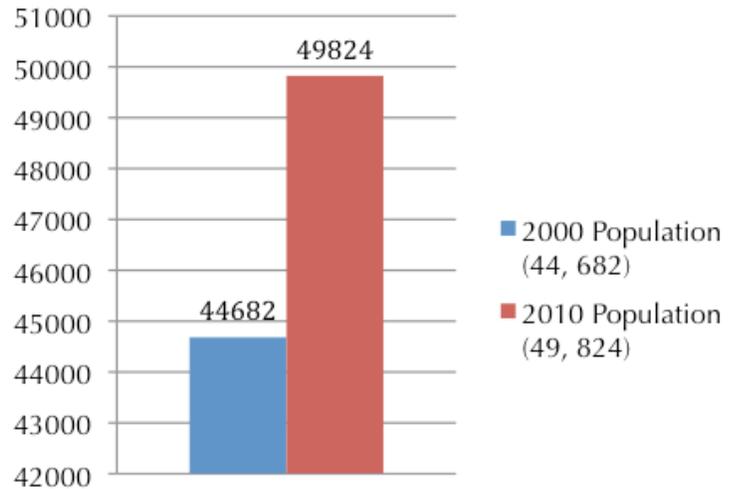
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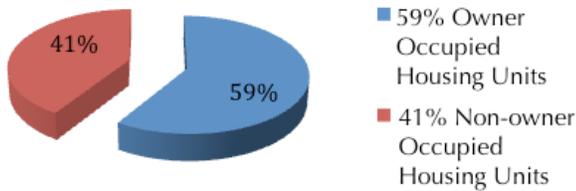
CENSUS DATA FOR THE 6TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

TOTAL POPULATION

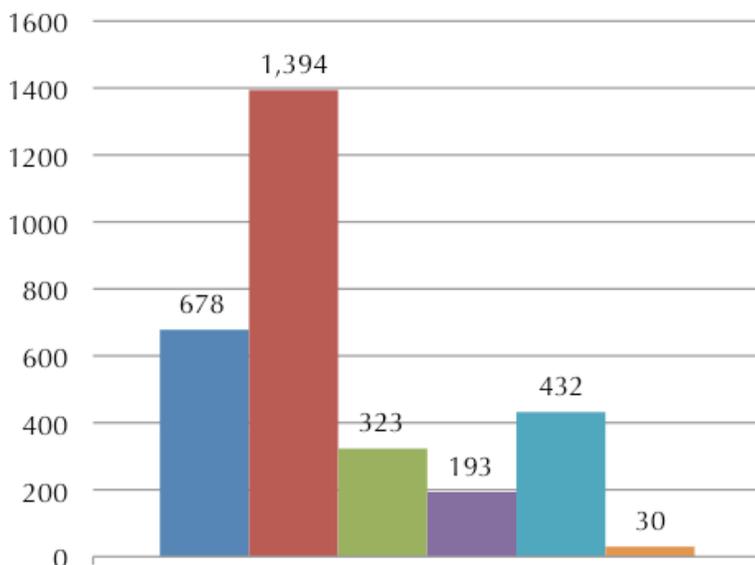
- Between 2000 and 2010, the population of the 6th Senatorial district grew by 5,142 or 11.5%.
- In 2010, the 6th Senatorial district was the 13th largest district in the State.
- The 6th Senatorial district is ranked 12th in terms of growth.
- 5,105 or 10.6% of the population is 65 or older



HOMEOWNERSHIP



- \$1,275 is the median cost of rent
- \$2,104 is the median mortgage
- Mortgaged households spent 21.8% of their income on housing expenses
- 89% of housing units are single family homes
- 43.7% of renters & 29.6% of mortgage holders spend 30% of their income on housing costs

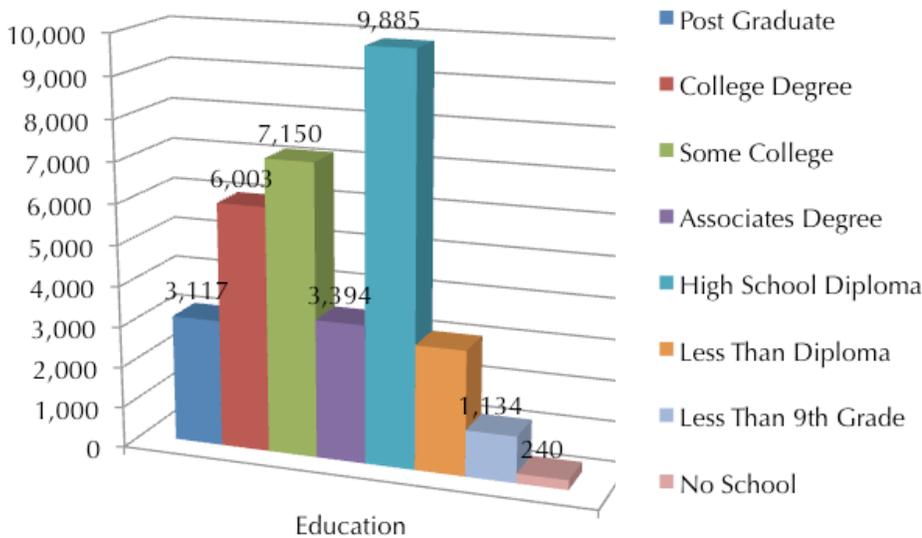


VETERANS

- Gulf War
- Vietnam Era
- Korean Era
- World War II
- Between Gulf War & Vietnam
- Between Korean war & WWII

CENSUS DATA FOR THE 6TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

EDUCATION



- District 6 ranks 19th in percentage of population obtaining a college degree or higher
- 9,120 or 28% of the population has a college degree or higher
- 5,022 or 31% of males & 4,863 or 29% of females obtained only a diploma
- 3,048 or 9.4% of the population has less than a high school diploma
- 1,134 or 3.5% of the population has less than a 9th grade education

FALLEN SOLDIER KRAIG M. VICKERS REMEMBERED

Senator English, the Maui Senate delegation and fellow members of the Hawai'i State Senate were humbled to recognize a fallen Hawai'i soldier with strong Maui ties. The wife and family of Kraig M. Vickers were presented with a certificate from the Hawai'i State Senate which reads as follows:

COMMEMORATES AND HONORS FALLEN WAR HERO KRAIG M. VICKERS FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED LIFE

The Hawai'i State Senate recognizes and treasures those who choose to serve our great country and at times, sacrifice their lives to ensure that the ideals we cherish thrive in this world. Kraig M. Vickers was a proud hero who dedicated his life for peace and freedom, fighting to protect all of us from harm. Sadly, on August 6, 2011, Kraig lost his life after the U.S. military helicopter he was riding in was shot down by insurgents in Afghanistan.

Kraig M. Vickers joined the Navy in 1996, serving as a Senior Chief Explosive Ordnance Disposal Specialist attached to a Navy SEAL unit. Kraig had an excellent service record, his many decorations include: three Bronze Stars with 'V' for valor; two Purple Hearts; Joint Service Commendation Medal with Combat 'V'; Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal; three Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals; two Combat Action Ribbons; three Presidential Unit Citations; Navy Unit Commendation; four Navy Good Conduct Medals; Navy Expeditionary Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Humanitarian Service Medal; Sea Service Ribbon; Navy and Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbon; Navy Expert Rifleman Medal and Navy Expert Pistol Shot Medal.

Kraig was born August 11, 1974 in Kailua, Oahu and grew up in Kokomo, Maui. He was an outstanding wrestler and football player at Maui High School and as a line-

backer he led his football team to the MIL and Neighbor Islands championships. A beloved son of Robert Sr. and Mary, husband to Nani who is expecting their third child, father to Noah Kala'i and Mali'e Vickers, legal guardian of Lyssa Makaheha Flores and sibling to three brothers and a sister, Kraig will be truly missed. His family and friends fondly recall his easygoing personality, kindness, intelligence, dedication to family and above all, always putting others first. Kraig was looking forward to returning to Hawai'i with his family to pursue the ocean activities he loved. He will be remembered for his distinguished deeds and in his silence these will speak for him.

The Senate of the Twenty-Sixth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i hereby honors and commemorates Kraig M. Vickers for his great sacrifice, his numerous achievements and contributions towards a peaceful world and extends its aloha and sincerest condolences to his family.

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NEW PA'IA CAFETERIA UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The groundbreaking ceremony and blessing for construction on the long-awaited new cafeteria at Pa'ia Elementary School took place on Monday, September 26, 2011. The new building will replace the 70-year-old cafeteria that burned down in 2005. The Legislature appropriated money for the construction in 2008 and by 2010, the Department of Education was ready with a design.

"The construction of the cafeteria is finally moving forward. At last, our young learners will have a place to gather under one roof to nourish their growing bodies and minds. This project is just another example of how we support our students to succeed in school and in life," said Sen. J. Kalani English, who represents State Senate District 6, encompassing the areas of Hana, East and Upcountry Maui, Moloka'i, Lana'i, and Kaho'olawe.

"Many people were involved in getting this project moving, including Leona Nomura, a grandparent of a student at Pa'ia, who helped spearhead the rebuilding of the cafeteria by requesting the Legislature to include this item in the State budget," said Senator English.

For the past six years, students have been eating lunch in an old building in different shifts. "The building of the new cafeteria comes at an opportune

time as our school is growing in population," said Susan Alivado, Pa'ia Elementary School principal. "Seven years ago, we served about 200 students. Now we have 310 students and we're anticipating an additional 20 students a year."

School officials, community members, Sen. President Shan Tsutsui as well as other dignitaries attended the groundbreaking and blessing. An o'o stick made by Malama Chun was used to break ground at the new site of the cafeteria and Pulama Collier performed the Hawaiian blessing.

"Everyone involved in the ceremony has deep connections to Pa'ia School and its cultural traditions," said Leona Nomura, chairperson of the ceremony. "It was through the diligence of our parents, Senator English and Senator Tsutsui that our students will be able to eat lunch in one sitting," added Nomura.

The cafeteria is expected to be completed in November 2012. Established in 1908, Pa'ia Elementary School is located on Maui's north shore and serves students from grades K-5.

"As the school continues to grow, this much needed cafeteria will benefit all children at Pa'ia including those in the Hawaiian immersion program at the school," said Sen. English.

Senator English visits the Kaunakakai Fire Station during the Moloka'i Aloha Festivals Parade, Kaunakakai, Moloka'i Oct. 15, 2011

